24th August 1970]

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member]

MR. CHAIRMAN : Questions are over.

III.—ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(1) DECISION OF THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have to announce to the House that at a meeting of the Business Advisory Committee held at 3-30 p.m. to-day, the following programme of business has been decided :—

25th August 1970 Tuesday. 26th August 1970 Wednesday. 27th August 1970 Thursday.	Discussion on the Annual Financial Statement for 1970–71 and Supplementary Financial Statement for 1969–70 of the Tamil Nadu Electricity Board.
28th August 1970 Friday.	1 Presentation of the First Supplementary Statement of Expenditure for the year 1970–71 and the Statement of Demands for Grants for Excess Expenditure in 1966–67. 2 Reply to the Debate on the Electricity Board Budget for 1970–71.
29th August 1970 Saturday.	Discussion on the First Supplementary Statement of Expenditure for the year 1970–71 and the Statement of Demands for Grants for Excess Expenditure in 1966–67.
30th August 1970 Sunday.	Holiday.
31st August 1970 Monday.	Discussion on the First Supplementary Statement of Expenditure for the year 1970–71 and the Statement of Demands for grants for Excess Expenditure in 1966–67, and reply to the Debate.
1st September 1970 Tuesday,	Non-official business,

The Council will meet daily from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Further programme of business will be announced later.

(2) NOMINATION OF A MEMBER TO THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have to announce to the House that under rule 166 (4) of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Council Rules, I have nominated Thiru K. Rajaram, Leader of the Opposition and Thiru G. Parangusam, Government Whip, as Members of the Business Advisory Committee for the year 1969-70 in the

vacancies caused by my election as the Chairman of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Council and the expiry of the term of membership of Thiru K. Rajaram with effect from 20th April 1970 afternoon.

(3) NOMINATION OF A MEMBER TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have to announce to the House that under rule 175 (1) of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Council Rules, I have nominated Thiru K. Rajaram, M.L.C., as a Member of the Committee on Government Assurances for the year 1969-70 in the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of membership of Thiru V. K. Ramaswamy Mudaliar. Under rule 176(1) of the said rules, I have nominated Thiru K. Rajaram as Chairman of the Committee on Government Assurances.

(4) PANEL OF VICE-CHAIRMEN.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have to announce to the House that under rule 14 of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Council Rules, I have nominated the following Members of the Legislative Council to be the Panel of Vice-Chairmen for the Thirty-sixth Session of the Legislative Council under the Constitution :—

1. Thiru K. Arivazhagan.
2. Thiru R. Krishnaswami Naidu.
3. Thiru G. Swaminathan.
4. Thiru A. R. Damodaran.

IV.—TAMIL NADU ELECTRICITY BOARD BUDGET FOR 1970–71.

MR. CHAIRMAN : The Hon. the Minister for Electricity is not well. So, instead of the Hon. the Minister for Electricity, the Hon. the Minister for Industries will initiate the discussion on the Tamil Nadu Electricity Board Budget for 1970-71.

மாண்புமிகு திரு. எஸ். மாதவன் : மாண்புமிகு சட்ட மேலவைத் தலைவாவர்களே, தமிழ்நாடு மின்சார வாரியத்தின் 1970-71ம் ஆண்டின் நிதி நிலை அறிக்கையும், 1969-70ஆம் ஆண்டின் துணை நிதிநிலையறிக்கையும் இம் மேலவையின் முன் வைக்கப்பட்டுள்ளன. a இவற்றை இம்மேலவை ஆலோசனைக்கு எடுத்துக் கொள்ள வேண்டுமென நான் வேண்டுகிறேன்.

தமிழ்நாட்டைப் பொறுத்த அளவுக்கு "ஹைடல் பவர்" மிகவும் குறைவாக இருக்கிறது. அவ்வாறு குறைவாக இருக்கின்ற காரணத்தால், அனல் மின் சாரத்தை நாம் அதிகமான அளவுக்கு பயன்படுத்தக்கூடிய சூழ்நிலை இருப்பதும், இந்த இக்கட்டான நிலைமையின் காரணமாக மின்சார கட்டணங்களிடையே வேறுபாடுகள் பற்றிய பல பிரச்னைகள் தமிழ்நாட்டில் இருப்பதும் நமக்கெல்லாம் நன்றாகத் தெரியும். கடந்த பல ஆண்டுகளாக இந்தப் பிரச்னைகள் இல்லாத அளவுக்கு நல்லமுறையில் நம்முடைய மின்சார வாரியத்தினர் செயல்பட்டிருக்கிறார்கள். எனவே நான் இந்தச் சமயத்தில் நம்முடைய தமிழ்நாடு மின்சார

a Some statements printed as Appendix II.